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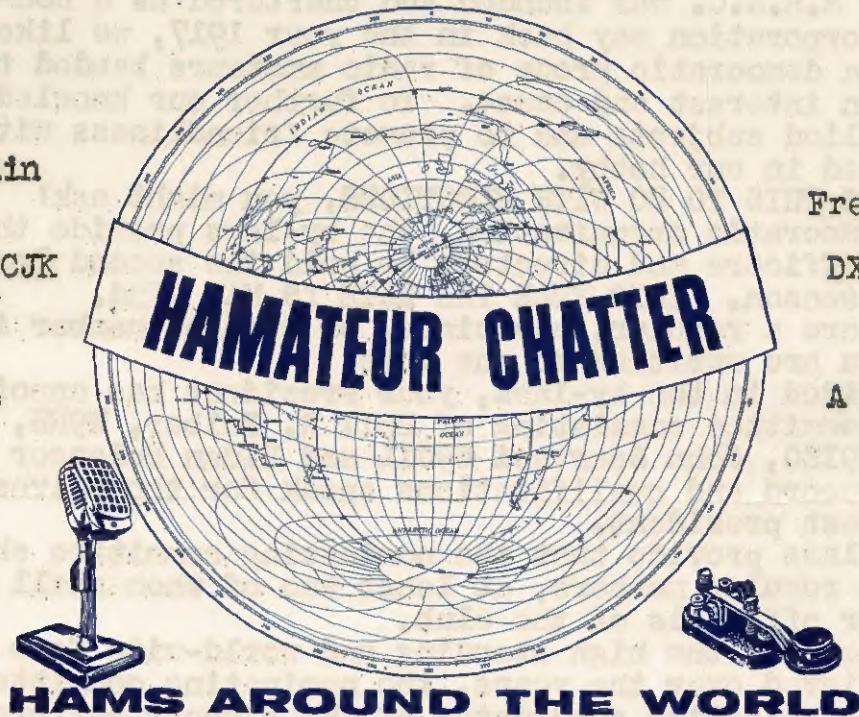
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SENATOR WILEY LAUDS HAM RADIO

....Thank you....

for your letter of recent date enclosing a copy of your interesting publication "Hamateur Chatter." I read the publication with great interest and was very impressed with the scope of the fine work amateur radio operators are doing in Milwaukee and throughout the nation.

You people are involved in this fascinating hobby of ham radio operation and are in a position to contribute greatly toward international understanding of life in the United States. Through your friendly chats with people of other nations, you are helping to tear down the barriers which are sometime erected in international understanding.

I also congratulate you for your excellent work with young people, encouraging them to turn their thoughts toward scientific topics through an interest in radio. It is imperative that we continue to build this type of interest in the youth of our nation. We cannot afford to waste any of the scientific brain-power in our country in these times of technology and scientific progress.

I will always be delighted to hear of future activities of your fine organization. Please keep me informed of further developments through a letter or by way of your fine publication.

THANK YOU AGAIN for thinking of me. BEST WISHES TO YOU AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS' CLUB.

Sincerely,

SENATOR ALEXANDER WILEY

MRAC ELECTIONS

Although the M.R.A.C. was founded and chartered as a non-commercial non-profit corporation way back in the year 1917, we like to regard our club as a democratic group of radio amateurs banded together with a common interest and cause. To further our knowledge of radio and allied subjects and to promote friendliness with all who are interested in our hobby.

WHAT HAS THIS TO DO WITH ELECTIONS, you might ask?

As a democratic organization, the by-laws provide that an election of officers and directors be held the second last meeting of the club season. THIS YEAR THE DATE IS MAY 22nd.

If you are a regular, associate, or student member in good standing, you are entitled to one vote.

As provided in the by-laws, your President has appointed a nominating committee consisting of Emil R. Felber, W9RH, Thomas Gettelman, W9IZO, John Scarvaci W9GIL and Elden Belanger W9MDG.

Their record and qualifications speak for themselves. Each has been a past president.

The by-laws provide that the nominating committee shall consist of four regular members, at least two of whom shall be former presidents or officials of the club.

To perpetuate the high standing and world-wide fame which your club has achieved over the years, the nominating committee has a man-sized job selecting candidates of the highest calibre.

The following are a few of the qualifications which will govern their choice:

.....A genuine interest in ham radio and the M.R.A.C.

A willingness to devote those extra hours in promoting activities sponsored by the club.

A broad viewpoint with respect to any phase of our hobby.

Boost the A.R.R.L. and all it stands for.

Abide by the ham's code of ethics in all of your operating "on-the-air activities".

Display a friendly, helpful attitude in your association with fellow club members.

You must be a regular member in good standing for at least one year.

Attend club meetings regularly.

On May 15th, the nominating committee will announce the candidates selected, at which time you will also have an opportunity to submit nominations from the floor. A slate of officers consisting of the president, 1st-vice-president; 2nd vice-president, secretary, treasurer and three directors will be placed in nomination.

It behooves all of us to conscientiously study the candidates carefully. Be present on May 22nd, election night, and cast your vote accordingly - "may the best man win."

There is also the annual meeting at which time the retiring officers will submit their reports for the present season.

On May 29th, which is the last meeting of the club season, the newly-elected officers and directors will be duly installed.

(By Ray Peschek, W9LJU,
Chairman of the Board)

MORE ABOUT ELECTIONS

(Editor's note: The following is a report on Women's Auxiliary activities requested from, and submitted by, Eve (Mrs. John) Koehler)

Your XYL's have had a busy year working on projects for the benefit of various institutions. Because of its private Status, and the very real need it fulfills in the city, we have "adopted" Friendship House they have already gratefully received 70 useful items made by Auxiliary members at our monthly meetings.

Our new officers were elected in April. They are:

President:	Frances Thomson	(Mrs. Bill)
1st Vice-Pres:	Jane Stevens	(Mrs. Joseph)
2nd Vice-Pres:	Irene Buchholz	(Mrs. Edward) (Sr.)
Secretary:	Ellen Porch	(Mrs. Charles)
Treasurer:	Florence Belanger	(Mrs. Elden)

They will be installed at the annual banquet to be held this year at Frenchy's on May 20th. You may (or may not) be interested in this excerpt from the Installation Ceremony to be conducted by the retiring president: "Raise your right hands and repeat after me" -

We trust you ladies will promise to be,
Faithful to the rules of the F.C.C.
And always hope and pray for the best,
When one of us takes her radio test.
Will you promise to love, to cherish and obey
Every little thing hams do and say??
And never speak disparagingly,
Of his favorite book --- QST!
When he's been at his Set, for a long, LONG, while,
Don't fret or fume, just sigh and smile.
Yes, always be patient and don't despair -
AND NEVER DISTURB HIM WHEN HE'S ON THE AIR!

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160 METER BAND FREQUENCY CHANGES

Further expansion of the Loran navigation service which has absolute priority in 1800-2000 kilocycles, now requires reduction of amateur sharing privileges. Effective midnight EST May ten, band segments 1875 to 1900 and 1900 to 1925 kc are withdrawn from amateur use. Thereafter, only band segments 1800 to 1825 and 1975 to 2000 kc may be used by amateurs under present geographical and power restrictions.

"Could be".... A blushing young woman handed the telegraph clerk a telegram containing only a name, address and the word "Yes". Wish-ing to be helpful, the clerk said "you know you can send 10 words for the same price." "I know I can" replied the young woman"but don't you think I'd look eager if I said it 10 times?"

"Blithe youth is like a smile, So mirthful and so brief".....
(Robert Nicholl) -

THE YOUNG TIMER'S NIGHT - March 7, 1958

If ever an MRAC function brings together a greater bunch of amateurs than were in attendance at Gordie Fedder's party on the above date, it will indeed be a most significant occasion. These youngsters were a most attentive audience to my rather drawn out discourse; they displayed wrapt interest in the technical subjects that would do credit to a much more advanced-age audience. The evening flew by with feature after feature tumbling over each other. A Scout activity several blocks away got right into the act with walky-talky operation; mobiles contributed their bit and finally the complete station set up in the meeting place enjoyed contact with the walky-talky who was up on Wisconsin Ave. doing an amateur man-on-the-street contact -- in case the pedestrian really wishes to know the truth, HE WAS NOT TALKING TO MARS.

And one more tip to you O.T.'s - you'd be much better off if you paid the board for one of these youngsters than to try to feed him -- they can really stow away the provisions.

Gordie and his committee did a remarkable job and deserve a rising round of thanks, with my personal thanks going forth to the good Minister (who, it seems, was ex-officio on Gordie's committee). He not only FURNISHED the slide projector but became a most efficient operator as well.

A FINE ACTIVITY...VERY WELL HANDLED - AND COMPLETELY ENJOYED!

(by Jack, W9GPI)

W9YFW Chairman; W9GPI, MC; K9BEL walky-talky; K9CEW, W9HAJ/M, W9MOT/M, W9KQD/M and W9ONY/M assisted in the above affair. There were 36 present - 25 licensed and 11 hoping and trying. The station that Gordie set up was a typical Civil Defense emergency station.

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SOVIET BRASS CITES HAMS

Radio "hams" in the Soviet Union are getting new encouragement this year and apparently their value to the military is being openly acknowledged. Amateur radio operators are organized in radio clubs in the cities and towns. These, in turn, are affiliated with "societies" that co-operate with the military. Evidence of this is supplied by a recent Pravda report. It is said 20 of the best hams of the Kiev, Lvov, Kharkov, Nikolayev, Stalino and Simferopol Radio Clubs contended for the championship of the Ukrainian Republic Public Society for co-operation with the Armed Forces. The contest was a radio fox hunt, described as "new" and very interesting type of amateur radio sport "which has only begun to develop in the Soviet Union in 1957."

(Editor's note: USN Communications Reserve did this in 1920) Two ultra shortwave radio stations, foxes, were hidden in a village near Kiev; hunters had to find them in shortest possible time.

(from Electronics Magazine)

LONESOME FOR M.R.A.C.

Doc Lawrence W0USF, Box 722 Lancaster, Calif., writes -- "Just a few lines to let you know how much I enjoy my membership in the club and all the news items about your doings and especially about the members I know personally. Keep up the Bulletin, for it brings the news. The YL news too."

Felicitations to Jeanne W90MZ on being the first YL DX-CC (in Wis.) Keep plugging Mary W9RUJ. It is what the gals need. I am proud to have started my Ham career with you - tho you have so completely outstripped me. Give my regards to all."

LIKES HAMATEUR CHATTER

E.A. Neal, editor, G-E HAM NEWS in commenting on our Bulletin states: "It certainly is good to see that your club has an active public relations setup, since radio amateurs will need more good publicity than ever in the coming years."

LEE DE FOREST WELL AGAIN

Dr. De Forest underwent an operation and in reply to a letter sent to him, states: "I belatedly wish to thank you and the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club for mailing me your Hamateur Chatter which I examined and found very interesting.

I thank you for your good wishes and am pleased to inform you that my health has now been restored to normal".

WANTS HAMATEUR CHATTER

Reid Burrows, W9JWT, just returned from Terre Haute, Indiana, where he was doing a job for Allis Chalmers - tells of the meeting of many HAMG there and the great work being done by the Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association. They are interested in receiving our bulletin in exchange for theirs. Jim will see that they get 'em.

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RADIO CONTROL PROGRAM INTERESTING

An impressive version of amateur radio - what it really means to us - especially the younger folk who are venturing into this hobby, was given by Herb Baker, W9GSP, at the March 20th meeting.

Herb, who is a terrific builder and experimenter, had the front table covered with gadgets, which included several models of small boats which he controls by radio. He explained the method of building as well as the FCC laws involved in this type of transmission.

Herb's son, Carl, a member of MRAC also operated his boat from the back of the room. It was unique to see the rudder move around for the directional factor of the boat. Carl also put the schematic drawings on the board. Both father and son created a sea-going night by wearing the navy-type caps.

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F.C.C. MAKES 1957 REPORT

FEW VIOLATIONS BY THE HAMS CITED

***** The year-by-year increase in the number of amateur stations and operators, indicates that amateur radio activities are rapidly taking their place as one of the country's most popular hobbies. As of the end of the year, more than 156,000 amateur operator licenses and an estimated 160,000 amateur station licenses were outstanding.

Although amateur operations are carried on as a hobby, the result is the creation of a large reservoir of personnel skilled in the art of radio communications. This has proved of value both to the nation in time of war and the industry in time of peace. Also there are numerous instances where amateurs have voluntarily provided vital communications service during disasters which disrupt or destroy normal communication facilities.

One of the most important developments in the amateur service is the ever increasing willingness of amateurs to unstintingly devote themselves and their equipment to civil defense training. While "ham" communication assistance during floods, fires, tornados and other natural disasters has been an amateur tradition for many years, the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) communication networks furnish an even greater reserve of volunteer communication facilities available for such emergencies. When normal amateur activity is shut down during a time of enemy attack or other national emergency, the amateurs may continue to serve the public through their participation in the RACES network. Since wire and other facilities can be expected to be severely burdened during an enemy attack, amateur communication will fill a vital and most important civil-defense need. At the year's end, more than 5,500 amateur stations and an estimated 20,000 amateur operators were participating in this civil emergency program.

DESPITE THE LARGE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED, SERIOUS VIOLATIONS OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES BY AMATEURS ARE FEW. During the year, only 16 violations were sufficiently serious to warrant suspension of license. The Commission believes that this commendable conduct by amateur licensees may be primarily attributed to the fact that amateurs take pride in policing their own service.

The amateur rules were amended in several respects during the year, but no fundamental changes were involved. The Commission also denied several petitions seeking amendments as not being in the public interest. At the end of the year petitions were pending which seek amendments of 7 sections of the rules, and 1 proposed change was in rule-making status. This proposal would delete the frequencies 26.96 thru 27.23 megacycles from those available for use by amateurs and add them to frequencies allocated to the citizens' service.

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RADIOMAN ... BUT NO "HAM"

George Kostopoulos, crack CW operator, recently joined MRAC and relates many exciting incidents while radioman on a freighter during World War II. His motto was "help the man in distress whenever you can - you may soon find yourself in the same boat." This was borne out when his ship was struck by a Nazi torpedo in the Caribbean and thru an American radioman received aid. George was thanked personally by the Belgian ambassador for handling the SOS of a Belgian liner which was struck by a German sub - 60 survivors were saved. (cont'd)

He participated in dozens of such incidents. In his 14 years at sea, he travelled around the world six times.

Why isn't George a HAM? He told me that if he did, he would never stay away from the key - poor excuse. Let's give him 90 days, or else?!

WELL, HERE WE GO AGAIN

It must appear to many amateurs that certain editorial comment, directed at amateur operation and involving frequencies, modes of operation, or just any other subject that has a note of apprehension attached, is cause to become concerned.

Current issue of CQ (and now I'll wash up my typing finger) reverts again to this type of editorial comment, causing no end of consternation and in my mail, and on the air, dozens of inquiries -- all exhibiting the concern that this sort of writing usually stirs up - how about it?

WELL - it's an old oldie - HISTORY ALWAYS REPEATS ITSELF; back in 1947 (February to be exact) this same publication carried an editorial, filled with gloom and wound up its first paragraph with the ominous statement, QUOTE "A TERRIFIC FIGHT FOR OUR BANDS" end quote. The article goes on and ON, losing segments of one band after another, and winds up with a plea for the amateur to be well informed -- prepared to do all he, as an individual, may be able to accomplish in order that these dire consequences shall not be visited upon us.

Your American Radio Relay League, in its Annual Board Meeting provides a working fund EARMARKED for the purpose of attending and REPORTING on all conferences PRELIMINARY to the international TELE* COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE, and up to and including THIS DATE, there has been nothing proposed about which you need have ANY concern.

Back there in 1947 and 1948 the Voice of America was just about to take over 20 COMPLETELY and 10 was as good as GONE...and we would all wind up with NOTHING BELOW 50 mc ... Many will recall these hectic days, with separate groups springing up to defend against this, or getting rid of that, and some bright day - all was quiet. The little pressure groups no longer were heard from, editorials took on other complexions and amateur radio went onward and upward to new and greater heights.

Dig up February 1947 CW; read it over - then re-read the present issue. After that's been done, get your pal, or yourself up-to-date with the A.R.R.L.

NEVER FORGET - THE LEAGUE DOES MORE THAN PUBLISH A MONTHLY MAGAZINE! (Jack Doyle W9GPI, Director, Central Division, ARRL)

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W9WK - 50 YEARS A HAM

Just picture yourself building a rig and going on the air without any restrictions, theory examinations or code speed - well, this is the way it was way back in 1908 when Tommy Thomas took to amateur radio. His chose as his first call "CW" - in 1912 he received the 8th official call from FCC W9AH and in 1914 he got the call W9WK which he now holds. The 9th district at that time consisted of Wis., Mich., Ind., Ky., Ill., Iowa, Missourir, Colo., Minn., and N. and S. Dak. Radio laws were put into effect.

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Tommy's first xmtr was a bell buzzer. Receiver was a rolling pin coil with detector made of two pieces of carbon and needle; later he used silicone and galena. The first tube he used was a E & I, with pigtail connections. In 1915, Antennas were Marconi flat top inverted L & T type, 4 & 6 wires. Later on he used a 1/4" Ford coil, 1" coil spark, Thordason transformer, rotary gap. His receiver was a Mrdock loose coupler and sliding condenser.

W9WK has been a very active HAM; his present rig is a BC610E xmtr and receiver is a HQ120. His antenna is a 4 el on 20 and 8 el on 10, perched on a 98 foot tower in Elm Grove. (This hobby has kept Tommy looking like 40).

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GREETINGS -- AND HELLO - to B.V.H.S.R.C.

Just in case all the "alphabet soup" in the headline throws you, we'll explain that the initials stand for BAY VIEW HIGH SCHOOL RADIO CLUB.

This new addition to the ever growing local radio scene is an MRAC project, by assistance; Jack Doyle W9GPI, ARRL Director for the Central Division, made the announcement at the March 21st meeting that the new Club was now in business.

Dennis Wroblewski K9DTK (shades of Fred Catel W9DTK) - (Fred is one of our very FIRST LIFE MEMBERS) - is the BVHSRC's first President.

The new Club has a fine room on the top floor of a four story building with ample roof area for most anything in the way of antennae; the operating position will be strategically located close to a window on the lake Michigan side of the High School building.

With the possible exception of Shorewood High, Bay View could easily capture the honors for a propagation launching pad.

The MRAC Constitution and By-Laws are being studied and steps are already in progress to affiliate the new group with A.R.R.L. and to make proper application to FCC for operating and trustee form of Amateur License.

A 1958 ARRL Amateur Call Book was presented by Jack to the new Club, and Station - an ARRL World Map will also be added when the new printing is available; both in the name of the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club.

Many of the Bay View gang are already members of MRAC and we extend a warm invitation to the new club to attend one of our Thursday night meetings at the Library, in a body. We'd all like to give you fellows a rising vote of good wishes for a long and successful effort.

R.H. (Dick) Oberholtzer, W9ZPV
President, Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club

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WELCOME:
NEW MEMBERS

Edith Roush, K9DCC
5902 N. 67th St.

Frank Howard
7514 N. Cross Way

Patsy Nikodem, K9LMW
1800 S. 69th St.

Brian Shaw
3457 So. 25th St.

Han Joachim Keerl
3282 N. 116 Street

WHAT OUR YOUNGSTERS ARE DOING

K9GOS - Carl Schultz, 5353 N. 49th St., has a home brew transmitter using a 6146 in the final and runs about 50 watts. His receiver is a NC 57 with a home-made converter. His antenna is a three-element Telerex beam on a 40-foot tower.

KM9KAI - Mike James, 232 E. Burleigh St., (the most truthful novice on the air) writes as follows: xmtr - Globe Chief, recvr NC-125, Ant. 3 element untuned, mismatched 15 meter beam. (Not used at present due to 7 to 1 SWR (appx. 80% power loss) due to loose connection which is inaccessible. (Looks like a spelling mistake; well anyway - it's out of reach.) Now using 15 meter dipole, 9' off ground. Terrible RST reports.

OPERATION DX - "I wade through litter which has missed the waste-basket. Oh oh - 3 QSL cards I forgot to mail since last operating time one (1) month ago. Ah, the rcvr works excellent..that's a change. What, The xmtr doesn't seem to load the antenna. Oh, the antenna isn't connected!

Lo and behold a VP6 actually on CW. Plug in a xtal, give an average call. (?) Shucks, missed that one; wrong xtal on the other end of the band. There's an XL (WOW some real DX) Shove the right xtal in retune; HEY there's a weak local calling CQ on MY FREQUENCY! I'll blast him off. There's the station coming back to - Oh No...the weak local I was QRMing. Well another DX session same time, same station, next month.

Watch for better and bigger QRM when I get my General. Then I shall menace the phone bands. HI-HO everybody.

Pse address all inquiries, threats and disgusting comments to Mike James (no relation to Jesse) 232 East Burleigh St., Milwaukee 12, Wis.

P.S. - When I come down to the club, I will wear a red shirt: Symbol of flaming, lazy youth!!

What'll we do with this kid!! (He dared us to print this.)

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MRAC STAGES "TRANSMITTER HUNT"

At 9:30 on Friday March 28th, Gordon Fedder W9YFW, Club's Mobile Chairman, started "yacking" to see if our mobiles who were parked at 60th and Capitol Drive, could locate the source of this transmission. Things looked pretty gloomy for a while, as the 60-minute deadline was approaching. Gordie picked a nicely secluded spot and if it weren't for the Shorewood Police squad car dropping down that way to see what was "cooking", he was all by himself. At 10:20 p.m. he noticed a glare from a car and when the whip antenna was visible he knew there was a winner. That car was Don Gross, W9KQD and the time was 50 minutes, after he had travelled 11.2 miles. The second mobiler to show up was Leon Neuzerling W9HAJ who was clocked at 52 minutes and his speedometer showed that he had covered 22.2 miles. At 10:30 pm Gordie called the other six

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(Transmitter hunt, cont'd)

cars to the spot which was Hubbard Park, parking lot, in Shorewood. Most of the boys had loop antennas but their xyls said they could detect the location better without them. (no argument) The gang, with their xyl's and yl's finally wound up at a fish fry and enjoyed the good fellowship which always prevails when HAMS get together. Those who participated in the hunt were:

W9KQD, W9VCH, W9SQL, W9HAJ, W9ICM, K9CAN, WØGBD/9; W9MOT and W9ONY assisted Gordie in arrangements.

SOUP AND SIDE BAND

Your reporter has enjoyed the privilege of being present at many fine meetings, listening to some of the best informed people discuss varied techniques employed in amateur radio - BUT - anyone who missed the March 13th meeting of MRAC has my deepest sympathy.

Captain Sid Rexford K9KVE, the speaker of the evening, is behind all the above concern - Sid has undoubtedly compiled some very interesting experiences during his many tours of duty overseas, and only very briefly referred to them...To point up an example, or to recall something he built or did when he was OE13, or DL4, JA9 or what have you; his principal appeal was the utmost simplicity with which he wove his fabric of explanation.

His block diagram of the Soup Factory - Warehouse - Shipping Platform, to illustrate the answer to a question from the floor dealing with PEP versus Plate Power in SSB parlance, and how come this misnomer, was a classic.

The "gear" that Sid brought with him disclosed his talents to be an outstanding craftsman, as well as a terrific platform man; his receiver surely aroused enough interest and when he modestly admitted that he had all of \$15.00 tied up therein, I heard several say that they would be happy to give him DOUBLE his money back - if he cared to sell.

Even IF my intent to make notes was good, I became so fascinated in Sid's talk, diagrams and explanations, that I completely fluffed on that job. What I can do however, is to tell you HERE AND NOW, if and when Sid returns to a MRAC program, DON'T YOU MISS IT.

Thank you Frank Seboth W9NLY for your interest in presenting Capt. Rexford to us - he was truly GREAT.

And do you know sumthin - I think the Signal Corps will do ALL RIGHT if they have many more men like Captain Rexford, doing the teaching.

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SOME GENERALITIES IN CONNECTION WITH NEW CALL SIGNS
(by W9GPI, Dir., Cent'l Div'n)

Amateur radio stations having W and K prefixes will shortly be hearing calls like WA2XYZ. This situation is brought about by FCC exhausting for assignment, the old familiar K2 or W2 prefix. This procedure will commence shortly in the Second and Sixth call areas. It will follow in other areas as the situation develops. When practicable, the WN or KN will be assigned to NOVICE class operators, however, FCC indicates the prefix WV will be issued in line with the above practice.

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Under the same ruling, FCC indicates that callsigns with a TWO letter PREFIX and a TWO LETTER SUFFIX (like WA2AA) will NOT be assigned to amateur stations located in the continental United States.

Please call attention to your Club members, that callsigns of all operator classes OTHER THAN NOVICES will be subject to re-assignment (immediate) to other amateurs unless an application for renewal has been received at the Commission's Washington office PRIOR TO ONE YEAR, AFTER EXPIRATION DATE. This will be bulletin-covered to Clubs and detailed in QST May or June.

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READERS' DIGEST ARTICLE, PAGE 184, MARCH 1958. With its tremendous reader interest, there can be no doubt that this splendid article has already done MORE to glorify Amateur Radio than anything yet written - anyplace or in any publication. However, a sobering thought must be kept in mind by those WHO SHOULD KNOW BETTER, while reading, and afterwards, to wit: We must keep in mind that the author is AF-MARS, which, to a certain degree is aloof from FCC amateur regulations; also that many military people who are having their very first radio experience are getting that indoctrination at a MARS station. You will note the author was very generous in his words of praise for the MARS stations, HOWEVER the examples that he gave were NOT PURELY above question, as examples dealing with Alaska or the KC4 stations in Antarctica would be.

The DL's for example, probably most need to be brought into line on this THIRD PARTY business, FOR THE GENERAL AMATEUR GOOD. It appears that some LOOSE and wishful overseas interpretations of WHAT was intended to be GERMAN DOMESTIC policy may have given rise to some over-confident and outright behavior on the part of the overseas operators. I am thinking about an instance in point, (early 1958) in which a DL4, a KH6 and a W6 were all three monitored closely in one of these "third party" voice relays, or patches, if you prefer, that contravenes article #42 - all three stations will be answering to proper authority, unless I'm greatly mistaken.

Normally, direct correspondence between FCC and its domestic licensee would take care of such violation, but in this case, the action is a little more devious, where a DL4 or any other foreign amateur licensee is involved in a violation of Treaty Obligations. Form #74 is used to notify the sovereign government about its licensee, in exactly the same manner as we K's or W's are notified on our violation; then it's up to the foreign licensing government to take the matter up DIRECTLY through its own channels.

Let's all hope that some of these things do eventually catch up the loose ends, overseas, so that our stateside gang will NOT be caught in a large scale enforcement drive. ARRL headquarters will attempt to warn of any sustained effort either in QST or by official bulletins. In the meantime, be a little apprehensive on third-party traffic after reading the Digest article; always remember, it's a lot easier NOT to have to write in reply (with 3 copies) to FCC.

.....If you do any DXing, and own a "patch" try to familiarize yourself with latest PERMITTED countries. Type up or make up a card that can be located CLOSE to the operating position on listing the OK contacts for "third-party-traffic". Better be SAFE, not SORRY.

(Jack - W9GPI)

M.R.A.C. - A.R.R.L. ACTIVITIES & DX NEWS

"WATCH FOR"

C.S.T.

VR2AP 14.340 F/CW - plans to operate on business trip thru ZC5, VR4, YJ and CR10.

VQ4EO/FF8, ZD1-2-3-6 & 9GI 14.328 SSB/CW around midnite. On Safari thru Africa. Paul's QSL's go to: Richmond Radio Club, Box 1985 Richmond, Va.

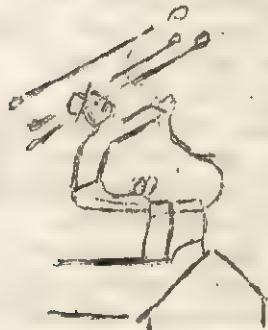
ZD7SA - 28.057 CW - 2 to 7 PM - DON'T call on his freq. Bob's QSL's go to Napoleon St., Jamestown, St. Helena.

VK0TR - Heard Id 14.055 CW 7 to 8:30 a.m.

ZL1ABZ - KERMEDEC ID, 3.690 or 3.845 Midnite to 2 a.m. Work him cross band 20 to 80. ZL2GX sets his skeds & handles his QSL's.

FLASH - Doug Pavek, W9FDX has just received his JT1AA QSL, making him MRAC's FIRST WAZ (Hearty Congrats, Doug.)

MORE LATE NEWS: - CONGRATULATIONS also to John Scarvaci W9GIL.... also for WAZ, and to Bob Hetzel W9VQG for DX CC (fone & CW).



"ON THE AIR"

The 1958 ARRL DX contest is now history, and tho' condx were only fair, the local gang did better than ever. Following the contest, came the Ohio Valley Radio Club's DXpedition to Navassa Id & KC4AF kept the DX at fever pitch. After running into foul WX and laying off the Id for over 24 hours, W4KVX ad Co. landed, and between March 26 and April 1, gave

thousands anewcountry by operating 2 stns on all bands, 6 thru 80 meters, on SSB/AM & CW. Any of the local gang missing this one, have only themselves to blame. QSL's go to W8TJM. KV4AA sez the 3A2CF on CW during contest is good and he was one of the CN8 boys who are dropping into 3A2 land quite often for a day or 2 of operating. The W9EVI trip to Clipperton is definitely off. W4ANM shud now be in PZ1 land and operating SSB. Two more countries join the Antarctic migration as OR4VN (Belgium) and XQ8AG (Chile) are now being heard from the bottom of the world. All VE stns operating /SU on Gaza Strip want your QSL's via the VE bureau and the MRAC boys are getting more than their share of the DX as per the following results:

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3/1	MACAO	CR9AH	28.050CW	2025	(W9RH, QYW)
3/1	FR.CAMEROONS	VQ4EO/FE8	14.328CW	0045	(W9DYG)
3/1	Fr. OCEANIA	F08AC	14.325CW	0057	(W9DYG)
3/1	SALVADOR	YS.O	14.050CW	1800	(W9QYW)
3/2	GEORGIA	UF6FB	14CW	2240	(W9GIL, K9CAN)
3/2	FR.CAMEROONS	FE8AK	28F	0950	{ W9GIL }
3/3	CAPE VERDE	CR4AS	28.410F	1606	{ K9CJK }
3/3	BR. GUIANA	VP1SD	28.400F	1577	{ K9CJK }
3/4	KOREA	HL9KT	28.290F	1807	(W9RH)
3/5	IT. SOMALI	I5FL	21.221F	1400	(W9VQG)
3/5	ANTARTIC	XQ8AG	28.495F	1706	(W9RH) I.G.Y.
3/7	BEL. CONGO	OQ5WF	28.455F	1633	(K9CJK)
3/8	COOK IDS	ZK1BS	21F	2245	(W9VQG) #126
3/8	FIJI IDS	VR2BC	21F	2345	(W9VQG)
3/15	LEBANON	OD5AV	21.089CW	1203	(W9DYG)
3/21	GREECE	SV0WT	14.090CW	2217	(W9MDG)
3/22	LIBYA	5A2TY	14.010CW	2150	(W9MDG)
3/22	JARVIS	KP6AK	21CW	1330	(W9QYW)
3/22	MOLDAVIA	UO5AA	21CW	1357	(W9GIL)
3/23	SUDAN	ST2AR	21.004CW	1545	(K9CAN-W9QYW-GIL)
3/23	CORSICA	F9QV/FC	21CW	1353	(W9QYW) #132
3/23	INDIA	VU2RM	21CW	1050	(W9GIL)
3/23	SO. RHOD.	ZE2JS	21.043CW	1650	(W9RKP-DYG)
3/24	RHODES	SV0WN	14.180F	2246	(K9CAN)
3/25	EGYPT	VE3DQL/SU	28.450F	1000	(W9RH)
3/28	ST. HELENA	ZD7SA	28.055CW	1712	(K9CAN, W9RH, GIL, FDX)
3/29	LA SHIP	LB9OE	14.040CW	0024	(W9DYG)
3/30	BAKER ID	W3PZW/KB6	7.043CW	0150	(K9CAN)

The following lucky MRAC'ers hooked KC4AF: K9CJK, CAN, JZE
 W9GIL, DYG, FDX, OMZ, QYW,
 PQA; & RH.

"ON THE SIDE"



It all happened during the ARRL DX contest . . . John W9GIL operated with burnt 15 mtr traps on the tri bender during Feb. and had the 75A4 go dead on 20 during March. Gary W9YZG had the NC125 conk out completely. Al W9MDG had fun blowing fuses and burnt out his filament transformer. Ink, W9QYW went practically sleepless one week end in March while completely rebuilding his final during the contest! Doug, W9FDX

heard telling KX6AF to listen for GIL's Kwi?! Loren W9PQA knocked off 2 new ones on fone, during CW part of contest. Emil W9RH and Bob W9VQG again made good fone scores, all on 1 band operation and Fred W9DYG ended up with his usual blistered finger. Here's the complete results with W9GIL (MW DX contest) again leading the way! Congrats to all for a job well done.

(NOTE: This column plans to carry all MRAC guys and gals TFC totals in future issues as a club activity. Please give or fone to W9DYG, your March and April totals. Tnx.)

"ON THE SIDE" cont'd

C.W. SECTION

W9GIL	431-217	280,581 (Points)
W9QYW	211-121	76,593
W9DYG	145-97	41,710
W9GWS	133-76	30,324
W9RKP	128-70	26,880
W9RH	128-60	23,040
W9FDX	77-63	15,553
K9CAN	68-51	10,404
W9MDG	12-10	360
W9VQG	9-7	198
W9YZG	6-5	90
W9BTM	5-5	75
W9PQA	--	<u>4,386</u>

510,194

PHONE SECTION

W9GIL	180-112	60,480 (Points)
W9RH	38-53	6,042
K9CAN	47-41	5,741
W9FDX	40-32	3,840
W9VQG	----	1,575
W9OMZ	9-8	216
K9CJK	8-8	192
W9ZPV	4-4	48
W9PQA		<u>16,575</u>

94,709

GRAND TOTAL.... 604,903

"A TOAST TO THE HOST"

Now here's a plan to change your Brand,
O'timers, young timers, each of you can,
Down at the Library, along about eight
Some Thursday night, you've got a date.
Whatever your fancies, it's all there for you
DX'ers, Traffic men and side banders too.
Mobiles, rag chewers & technicians all
You YL's too, come join in the ball.
It's not a gimmick, it's not a pitch,
Come one, come all there's no hitch.
It's good clean fun and real friendly too
WON'T YOU JOIN IN MAKING MRAC BREW!

This year's YL/OM contest found the MRAC gang really in there pitchin on CW. W9QYW, FDX, RKP, K9CAN, W9YZG & DYG were OM's doing their part & Jeanne W9OMZ & Edith W9WZL more than held up the YL end. (Sure hope more local YL's get into this interesting contest next yr.) Results will be printed later. (One local ham was overheard asking for a "chemise full of DX" during the contest!??) 73, Cont'd DX - W9DYG

RESULTS OF -- 1957 WISCONSIN STATE QSO PARTY
 SPONSORED BY THE MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS' CLUB
 AWARDS PRESENTED AT WAUSAU HAMFEST, MAY 17, 1958

W9RQM	Reno	Marathon	8938
W9SZR	Fred	Manitowoc	5696
W9GYA	Skip	Outagamie	4260
W9AEQ	Paul	Waushara	2898
K9ELT	Phil	Dane	1444
W9DND	Archie	Buffalo	546
W9YZG	Gary	Milwaukee	418
W9QYW	Ink	Milwaukee	144

Fone Only

K9CAN	Dick	Milwaukee	5270
W9SAA	Henry	Washington	4030
W9AXS	Vic	Columbia	3480
W9FMI	Lloyd	Dane	2700
W9QNO	Russ	Manitowoc	2184
K9CJK	Jim	Milwaukee	1805
W9NRP	Sid	Jefferson	1640
*W9YT	Don	Dane	1368
W9MOT	Ken	Milwaukee	1360
W9CJO	Doug	Milwaukee	1296
W9VQG	Bob	Milwaukee	990
W9LXY	Jim	Racine	504
W9HDW	Les	Milwaukee	450
W9FFT	Don	Walworth	408
W9EZY	Ted	Winnebago	240
W9QMD	Fred	Milwaukee	160
W9DCS	Si	Milwaukee	112
W9HCK	Bob	Milwaukee	48
W9UDK	Geo	Milwaukee	30

C.W. Only

W9DYG	Fred	Milwaukee	1035
W9RKP	Russ	Milwaukee	648
W9KQB	Bud	Manitowoc	360
K9GDF	Dick	Milwaukee	192
K9ENB	Chas	Milwaukee	84
W9FDX	Doug	Milwaukee	72

Mobile

W9OMT/M	Joe	Brown	400
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*W9VAK Operator

CONTEST COMMITTEE: W9DYG, W9DGB, W9GIL, K9CJK, W9FDX

Doug Pavek, W9FDX
 Contest Chairman

WAUSAU HAMFEST

SPONSORED BY: WISCONSIN VALLEY RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.

DATE: MAY 17, 1958

PLACE: ST. THERESE'S SCHOOL, SCHOFIELD, WIS.

TIME: REGISTRATION AND DISPLAYS...9:00AM
AFTERNOON MEETINGS.....1:30PM
BANQUET.....6:00PM

PRICE: \$3.50 PER PERSON
SPECIAL PRIZE DRAWING FOR ALL ADVANCE REGISTRATIONS PAID BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 1958

-----AFTERNOON PROGRAM-----

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ARRL SECTION "

VHF "

DX "

MARS "

SSB "

WIN-BEN "

DISPLAYS

W9NUW/9
IN OPERATION AT HAMFEST
WILL MONITOR:
3950kc
29620kc

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LUMBER
YARD

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